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In re the Application of: **KASAHARA, Hidemitsu, et al.**Group Art Unit: **1793**Serial No.: **10/537,376**Examiner: **ABU ALI, Shuangyi**Filed: **June 3, 2005**P.T.O. Confirmation No.: **3565**

For: **CALCIUM PHOSPHATE BASE PARTICULATE COMPOUND, PRODUCTION
METHOD OF THE SAME, AND COMPOSITION CONTAINING THE
COMPOUND**

RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT
DATED February 6, 2009

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: March 4, 2009

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action dated **February 6, 2009**.

In the Action, restriction is required between Group (I), claims 1-4 and 11-13; Group (II), claim 5; Group (III), claims 6-8 and 14-16; and Group (IV), claims 9-10 and 17-20.

Applicants hereby elect the subject matter of Group (I), Claims 1-4 and 11-13, for prosecution in this application. This election is made without traverse, it being understood that the applicants' rights to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter under 35 USC 120 and 35 USC 121 are retained.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed, applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fee for any such extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

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In the event any additional fees are required in connection with this response, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

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